Supreme Court in the 1980s; but that Guam Supreme Court and that judicial branch subjected it to the local legislation. At first, it looked like a good blow for local government; but it meant that the judicial branch in Guam was not organized based on a constitution, as in Guam's case the Organic Act, but based on local legislation.

Well, the possibilities for mischief were enormous as the judicial branch remained at the behest and the wiles of a local legislature and the executive branch. This anomalous, atypical system must be rectified; and my legislation seeks exactly to do that.

The architects of the U.S. Constitution had the foresight to establish an institutional mechanism that would protect this great Nation from an autocratic regime, and that is that it establishes three coequal branches of government. This doctrine of separation of powers is the fundamental principle of this great Nation and has since laid the foundation for the democratic system of government that has been established in subsequent States and territories.

The passage of this legislation would solidify the structure of Guam's judiciary and ensure a status as a separate and equal branch of government. I certainly hope that Members of this body will support this legislation.

CUYAHOGA COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION 55TH ANNUAL GOVERNMENT SERVICE MERIT AWARDS LUNCHEON

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentle-woman from Ohio (Mrs. JONES) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mrs. JONES of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, I rise today as a part of a celebration of the Cuyahoga County Bar's Association 55th annual government service merit awards luncheon.

On Friday, in Cleveland, Ohio, the Cuyahoga County Bar Association will recognize public servants who have given at least 25 years of service in the public arena. I would like to briefly go through and say a little bit about each of the persons who are going to be recognized.

The first, Sandy Patton Campbell in the Cuyahoga County prosecutor's office. Since 1974, she has been an employee of the office of the prosecutor. Since 1999, she has been the administrative secretary to the person who nominated her, County Prosecutor William Mason. Mr. Mason is my successor

I previously served as a Cuyahoga County prosecutor and had the opportunity to supervise Sandy Patton Campbell, and she did a wonderful job.

The second person, Carolyn Cervenak, she works in the Court of Common Pleas, Division of Domestic Relations. She is the assignment commissioner nominated by the Domestic Relations Administrative Judge Timothy Flanagan, and she is the person whose name is often spoken of at the court. Not only does she supervise the initial processing of newly filed cases, she is also in charge of the processing of pre- and post-decree motions.

The third person, Albin T. Chesnik, is in the clerk's office of the Court of Common Pleas. He has worked there since 1973 and it is the only full-time employer he has ever had. That employer is Gerald E. Fuerst, the clerk of courts.

Mr. Chesnik is the chief clerk for the Eighth District Court of Appeals and is responsible for maintaining the court's dockets and files and supervising data entry.

The fourth person, William Danko, he has been employed by the General Division of the Common Pleas Court most recently as a court administrator. Again, I had the pleasure, when I served as a judge on the Court of Common Pleas, to have Mr. Danko as the administrator, where he did a fine job. It gives me great pleasure to celebrate him today.

The fifth person, Linda Frolick in the Cuyahoga County Probate Court. She is the deputy clerk in the psychiatric department and has been with the Probate Court for the past 30 years. Her nominator is presiding Judge John J. Donnelly

The sixth person, Mary J. Gambosi of the Shaker Heights Municipal Court since 1975, she has worked for either the Shaker Heights Law Department or the Municipal Court, nominated by Municipal Court Judge K.J. Montgomery.

The next person, Richard Graham of the Court of Common Pleas, Juvenile Court Division, nominated by Judge Peter Sikora, he has been an employee at the Juvenile Court since 1973, advancing through the series of positions to his current title of chief magistrate and judicial counsel. Again, I am able to say that I had an opportunity to work closely with Mr. Graham when I served as a Cuyahoga County prosecutor and would like to personally congratulate him.

The eighth person, Yvonne C. Wood, United States Bankruptcy Court since 1969, she served in the Northern District of Ohio, nominated by Judge Randolph Baxter. She is now the deputy clerk in charge managing an office staff of 23 persons trained in preparing budgets, providing administrative tasks, and interacting with the public.

Finally, Frances Zagar of the Eighth District Court nominated by Judge Ann Dyke. She has worked since 1977, been a judicial secretary at the Eighth Appellate District Court. Currently serving for Judge Terrence O'Donnell, her duties include editing and preparing journal entries for circulation to other judges.

It gives me great pleasure, in light of the fact that I represent the 11th Congressional District of Ohio, to celebrate all of these public servants who have given of their time and energy on behalf of the public. Congratulations to each and every one of them, and I will provide them with a copy of the Congressional Record.

SANDY PATTON CAMPBELL—CUYAHOGA COUNTY PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE

Since 1974. Sandra Patton Campbell, has been an employee of the office of the Cuvahoga County Prosecutor, Since 1999, she has been the Administrative Secretary to the man who nominated her. County Prosecutor William D. Mason, Sandy is responsible for a myriad of tasks from, among others, making appointments for her boss to preparing correspondence and pleadings to maintaining bank accounts to preparing and processing office youchers and employee time sheets to helping with the extradition of defendants from other states. She takes pride in helping the office become modernized. She recalls helping the Prosecutor's office in its first attempts to computerize more than 20 years ago and takes pride in her efforts in assisting such new programs as the Community Based Prosecution Program in East Cleveland. Married to Thomas Campbell since 1988, Sandy, the mother of Thomas and Mary Kate, is a graduate of Our Lady of Angels School and St. Joseph Academy. She continues to be active as a coach for her children and those of others at Our Lady of Angels and St. Mark's. She enjoys being a working Mom. Sandy spends her time involved in any kind of sport, making crafts, decorating and shopping.

CAROLYN CERVENAK—COURT OF COMMON PLEAS,
DIVISION OF DOMESTIC RELATIONS

Assignment Commissioner Carolyn Cervenak, nominated by Domestic Relations Administrative Judge Timothy M. Flanagan, is, perhaps, the person whose name is most spoken at the Court. Not only does she supervise the initial processing of newly-filed cases, she also is in charge of the processing of pre- and post-decree motions and the scheduling of hearings in front of more than a dozen motion and support magistrates. She also serves as Network Administrator of the Division's computer system and was Project Manager in implementing the Case Management System. A graduate of St. Augustine Academy, Carolyn joined the Court after service as a claims processor at an insurance company and as a secretary to an attorney. Carolyn and her husband of over three decades, Richard, are the parents of Scott, Robb and Cindy. Carolyn is an active member of a woman's investment group and enjoys cooking classes (and cooking). She also attends special classes in computers and database technology to insure that she will acquit herself well of her position as "Computer Czar" for the Court. Carolyn recalls one incident, some years ago, when a fellow employee was filing and was startled by someone coming up behind her. She thought it was a co-worker who liked to bother her and reacted by shouting "What are ya' doin', pervert!" Carolyn remembers her colleague's shock in turning around to find not the other individual, but instead Judge Flanagan, who cordially (and jokingly) invited the startled employee to get her discharge notice from the Court Administrator's office.

ALBIN T. CHESNIK—CLERK'S OFFICE, COMMON PLEAS COURT

Albin T. Chesnik works now, as he has since 1973, for the only full time employer he

has ever had, the Common Pleas Court's Clerk's Office, Nominated by Clerk Gerald E. Fuerst, Albin is Chief Clerk for the 8th District Court of Appeals and is responsible for maintaining that Court's dockets and files and supervising data entry of filings in the appellate court. Beyond that, he insures that there is coordination between filings in the 8th District with the necessary filings in the trail courts and the Supreme Court of Ohio and coordinates the return of files to the trial courts for proceedings consistent with the decisions issued at the appellate level. After graduation from St. Peter Chanel High School in Bedford, Albin attended Cuyahoga Community College and Kent State University. In his spare time, Albin enjoys model railroading and railroad photography and is proud of his collection of thousands of slides he has taken in his travels around the country.

WILLIAM DANKO—COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, GENERAL DIVISION

Since 1972, William Danko has been employed by the General Division of the Court of Common Pleas, most recently as the Court Administrator, where he takes charge of non-judicial employees and their compliance with court policies and procedures, is liaison for the Court with other courts and governmental agencies, prepares the court's annual budget, performs human resources functions and a myriad of other responsibilities. Prior to his current position, Presiding and Administrative Judge Richard J. McMonagle's nominee served in a variety of positions from scheduler to project coordinator, among others. After receiving his bachelor's degree from John Carroll University, William received graduate degrees in social work and law, from Case Western Reserve University and Cleveland State University. Prior to his tenure at the Common Pleas Court, he was employed at Catholic Family & Children's Services and at Parmadale Children's Village. William is proud to have been married to his wife Mary Lou since 1966, and they are the parents of two adult children, Michael and Kristen. William is active in professional organizations of court administrators and a number of diocesan organizations and is a member of the Leadership Cleveland Class of 1992.

LINDA FROLICK—CUYAHOGA COUNTY PROBATE

Linda Frolick, Deputy Clerk in the Psychiatric Department, has been with the Probate Court for the past thirty years. Her nominator, Presiding Judge John J. Donnelly, writes that she is "a conscientious and willing member" of the staff.

MARY JANE GAMBOSI—SHAKER HEIGHTS MUNICIPAL COURT

Since 1975, Mary Jane Gambosi, nominated by Shaker Heights Municipal Court Judge K.J. Montgomery, has worked for either the Shaker Heights City Law Department or the Shaker Heights Municipal Court. In her position as Administrative Manager of the Court, she plans, organizes and directs the Court's activities, keeps the judge's calendar, coordinates the judge, acting judges and magistrates, deals with the public, handles human resources, prepares the budget and has, from time-to-time, been involved in almost every non-judicial activity of the Court. Mary Jane is active in various local and state organizations for court clerks and administrators and also has helped her bosses in the administrative work of their professional organizations. A graduate of Maple Heights High School, Mary Jane has been married for over 40 years to Frank, and

they have three adult children: Frank, Mary Catherine and Theresa Ann. Previously honored by the City of Shaker Heights for her years of public service, Mary Jane, in her spare time enjoys swimming, golf, travel, music, dancing, computer classes, and, most of all, her nine grandchildren. She takes pride in solving problems, although she was a little taken aback when an elderly lady asked for permission to come into the secure area where Mary Jane's office was located, after which that lady lifted her skirt above her head to get to funds she had "stored" in her lingerie prior to using those funds to pay a traffic ticket.

RICHARD T. GRAHAM—COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, JUVENILE COURT DIVISION

Nominated by Juvenile Court Administrative Judge Peter Sikora, Richard Graham has been an employee at the Juvenile Court since 1973 (with one short hiatus), advancing through a series of positions to his current title of Chief Magistrate and Judicial Counsel. Prior to this position, Richard served in other positions, including Director of Legal Services and Referee. He supervises the Court's magistrates, helps develop and update procedures, provides advice to the judges and magistrates and helps implement new law as they are promulgated from Columbus. Raised in St. Clairsville, Ohio, Richard received his undergraduate degree at Ashland University and his law degree from Cleveland State University. He and his wife. Diane, to whom he has been married since 1973, are the parents of Brent and Adam, Now retired from a long-time commitment as a soccer referee for youth soccer leagues, Richard enjoys golf, cooking and computers.

YVONNE C. WOOD—UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

Since 1969, Yvonne C. Wood has served at the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Ohio. Nominated by Bankruptcy Judge Randolph Baxter, Yvonne is now the Deputy Clerk in Charge, managing an office staff of 23 in training those staff members, preparing a budget, performing administrative tasks and interacting with the public. Yvonne rose to her current position from service as an Intake Clerk, Docket Clerk and Case Administrator. Raised in McMinnville, Tennessee, Yvonne is the mother of Ericha and enjoys cooking and gardening. She cites the reward of activities in which one can see the "fruits" of one's labor.

FRANCES ZAGAR—EIGHTH DISTRICT COURT OF APPEALS

Nominated by Chief Judge Ann Dyke, Frances Zagar has, since 1977, been a Judicial Secretary at the 8th Appellate District. Court of Appeals of Ohio. Currently serving for Judge Terrence O'Donnell, her duties include editing and preparing journal entries for circulation to other judges, tracking case status, data entry and any other tasks required of her. For over 40 years, she was married to William, who passed away in October 1997, and she still finds his loss devastating. William was in advertising and art, and Frances treasures his oils and watercolors. She is fond of bridge, her cats and music. Prior to assisting Judge O'Donnell, Frances is proud to have worked for now-retired Judges Thomas Parrino and Blanche Krupansky. She maintains close contact with her "wonderful, fun" family and still can count on them, including her identical twin, Catherine. She is pleased that the statute of limitations has passed and that she can now confess that her sister took a course in high school for her and that she and her

sister are still so close that, on a vacation, they brought the same books to read and that they have even separately ordered the same dress from a catalogue.

THE ECONOMIC RECOVERY AND GROWTH ACT OF 2001

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 3, 2001, the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. Pence) is recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the majority leader.

Mr. PENCE. Mr. Speaker, I thank the Speaker for this opportunity to address the House on a topic that is important to all Americans.

Mr. Speaker, while the Federal Government prepares to inhale a nearly \$6 trillion tax revenue surplus over the next 10 years, I join many of my colleagues here on the floor today to speak on behalf of American families who face a much less promising future.

Our goal today is to call attention to the growing surplus here in Washington and the moral imperative to return this excess revenue to the people who earned it. My colleagues and I have claimed this time today to argue in favor of the economic recovery package of 2001, a package not unlike the one proposed by President Ronald Reagan in 1981. While not nearly as ambitious as its namesake, we are lucky that we do not confront nearly the same grave economic crisis. Today our challenge is preserving the economic prosperity first leveraged by that 1981 Reagan tax cut made some 20 years a.g.o.

Despite the not inconsiderable economic successes of the past few years, Mr. Speaker, Hoosier families in my district are confronting layoffs at a record number of major employers. Our hometown Cummins Engine in Columbus, Indiana, and DaimlerChrysler in New Castle, Indiana, have both announced layoffs that have garnered national attention. I am sure their employees and families are watching and waiting for some sign of what is ahead.

So, too, I know that the small businesses dependent on these companies are fearful. Uncertainty stalks the heartland and these Americans are looking to this Congress to at least return the overpayment collected by the Federal Government, at a minimum.

This House of Representatives, Mr. Speaker, is the heart of the American government, and as such it should resonate with the hearts of the American people.

Mr. Speaker, the people's hearts are anxious with increasingly disappointing news about our economy. All this while income tax rates, as a percentage of the economy, are at the highest level ever recorded. The time has come to cut taxes for working families, small businesses, and family farms.